

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- **Please replace original paragraph [0028] with the following amended paragraph:**

Disposed above the level of the smokeless pyrotechnic propellant 120 within the combustion chamber 108 of the enclosed base 104, a radially inward projecting shoulder 122 supports a gas sealing disk 124. The gas sealing disk 124 includes an axial bore or passage 126, and is sized to fit securely within the combustion chamber 108 when seated on the shoulder 122. Optionally, a conventional pyrotechnic prime composition 127 is deposited on an upper surface 128 of the gas sealing disk, opposite from the smokeless pyrotechnic propellant 120. A combustion delay component 130 is disposed within the combustion chamber 108, above the gas sealing disk 124, and in axial alignment with the axial bore or passage 126. The combustion delay component 130 preferably is formed from Styrofoam or a similar combustion delay material.

- **Please replace original paragraph [0030] with the following amended paragraph:**

One or more ignition sources 140, such as an electric igniter or primer cord are passed through a igniter passage 142 in the enclosed base 102, preferable disposed above the shoulder 122 and gas sealing disk 124, and adjacent an outer surface of the pyrotechnic composition 132 and optional pyrotechnic prime composition 127 disposed on the gas

sealing disk upper surface 128. Additional ignitions sources may optionally be similarly disposed adjacent the outer surfaces of each additional pyrotechnic composition 132 present in the combustion chamber 108.

- **Please replace original paragraph [0033] with the following amended paragraph:**

To discharge the smokeless pyrotechnic display device 100 of the present invention, the one or more ignition sources 140 are utilized to igniting the pyrotechnic compositions 132 and optional prime composition 127 within the combustion chamber 108. The optional pyrotechnic prime composition 127 is disposed in combustion proximity to the pyrotechnic composition 132 facilitating propagation of flame over the exposed surfaces of the adjacent pyrotechnic composition 132 within the combustion chamber 108.

- **Please replace original paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph:**

Disposed above the level of the smokeless pyrotechnic propellant 120 within the combustion chamber 208 of the enclosed base 204, a radially inward projecting shoulder 222 supports a gas sealing disk 224. The gas sealing disk 224 is sized to fit securely within the combustion chamber 208 when seated on the shoulder 222. Optionally, a conventional pyrotechnic prime composition 127 is deposited on an upper

surface 226 of the gas sealing disk, opposite from the smokeless pyrotechnic propellant 220.

- **Please replace original paragraph [0041] with the following amended paragraph:**

Two or more ignition sources 234, such as an electric igniter or primer cord are passed through associated igniter passages 236 in the enclosed base 202. One ignition source 234 and associated igniter passage 236 is disposed below the shoulder 222 and gas sealing disk 224, in proximity to the smokeless pyrotechnic propellant 122. At least a second ignition source 234 and associated igniter passage 236 is disposed above the shoulder 222 and gas sealing disk 224, adjacent an outer surface of the lowest pyrotechnic composition 228 and optional pyrotechnic prime composition 127 disposed on the gas sealing disk upper surface 226. Additional ignitions sources may optionally be similarly disposed adjacent the outer surfaces of each additional pyrotechnic composition 228 present in the combustion chamber 208.

- **Please replace original paragraph [0044] with the following amended paragraph:**

To discharge the smokeless pyrotechnic display device 200 of the present invention, the one or more ignition sources 234 disposed above the gas sealing disk 224 are utilized to igniting the pyrotechnic compositions 228 and optional prime composition 127 within the combustion chamber 208. The optional pyrotechnic prime composition

127 is disposed in combustion proximity to the lowest pyrotechnic composition 228 facilitating propagation of flame over the exposed surfaces of the adjacent pyrotechnic composition 228 within the combustion chamber 208.